

**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Below Average

**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Unsatisfactory

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 113.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to excellent.

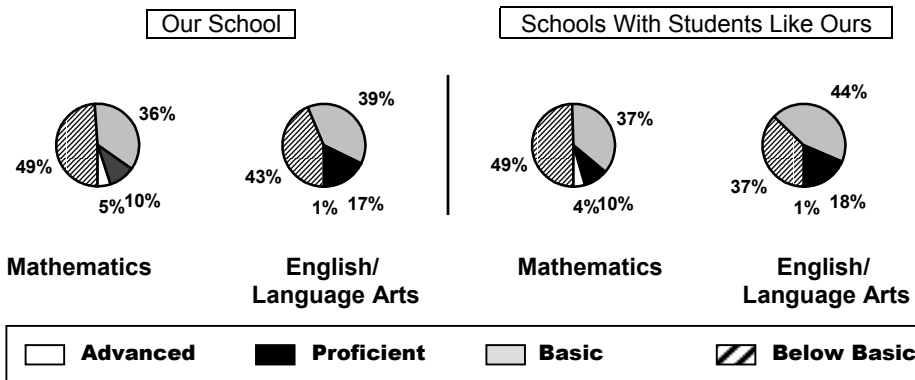
For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

## RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

## PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



## DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
<b>All students (n=184)</b>	56.5	51.1	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=16)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=168)	60.7	54.8		
<b>Gender</b>				
Male (n=89)	48.3	53.9		
Female (n=95)	64.2	48.4		
<b>Ethnic Group</b>				
African American (n=182)	56.6	51.1		
Hispanic (n=1)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=1)	N/A	N/A		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
<b>Lunch Status Group</b>				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=169)	54.4	48.5		
Pay for lunch (n=15)	N/A	N/A		

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dollars spent per student	\$7,686	N/A	\$5,996	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	89.8%	Up from 89.5%	89.6%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	16.7 to 1	N/A	16.8 to 1	18.7 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=383)</b>				
• Attendance Rate	96.3%	No change	96.2%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	3.8%	N/A	7.4%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	3.3%	N/A	6.6%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	98%	Up from 92.6%	98.1%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	0.7%	Up from 0.5%	5.8%	3.6%
<b>TEACHERS (n=33)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	6.7 Days	Down from 9.8	7.3 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	94.1%	Down from 95.7%	94.9%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	60.6%	Up from 54.3%	43.6%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	87.9%	Up from 80%	77.3%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	2.9%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	82.7%	Down from 86.8%	81.1%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$38,503	Up 9.5%	\$36,049	\$37,520

## SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	56.1%	N/A	64.3%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	4	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	90%	N/A	87.2%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• On academic plans	71.7%	Up from 42.7%	63.9%	43.1%
• On academic probation	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	0.3%	Up from 0%	2.1%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	10	N/A	2	1
• Gifted and talented	12.8%	Up from 7%	5.1%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	6.5%	Down from 8.2%	8.6%	8.4%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been an exciting year at Park Hills Elementary School. We have completed the renovations to our facility. A new administrative area, kindergarten wing, and intermediate classrooms are among the additions to the school, and an internet lab has been installed.

We successfully completed the five – year review of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) which validated our plan for school improvement. We joined the ranks of the Schools of Promise as Park Hills was selected as a School of Promise Flagship winner.

We have continued to implement a school program to motivate our students with a strong emphasis on academic achievement, positive school climate, and parental involvement. Some of the activities that supported our school goals included the following:

Second Step Social Skills Training  
Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Spartanburg Program  
Take Home Computer Program  
Alpha Kappa Alpha ON TRACK Mentoring Program  
Delta Kids Mentoring Program  
Save the Children Foundation Tutorial Program  
First Baptist of North Spartanburg Community Partnership Program

We have been fortunate to have the support of our Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and our School Improvement Council. Members of both groups participated in the school improvement planning process. We also appreciate the community organizations that have joined us in our efforts to develop and implement an exemplary program at Park Hills Elementary School.

Sylvia Murray

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	50.0	70.0	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	51.7	76.0	
Satisfied with home-school relations	34.5	82.0	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades PRE-K-6 Elementary School

Enrollment: 383 Students

#### Principal

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#### Superintendent

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#### Board Chair

David W. Cecil, II 864-594-4400

## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

2001

School Grade:  
Unsatisfactory

#### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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